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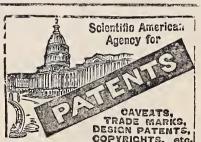
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MAGNITUDE OF WORLD'S FAIR PRIZES.

That the prizes offered in the live stock department of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition aggregate almost thirty per cent more than the total premiums of twelve leading State Fairs and the International and American Royal shows combined might reasonably be doubted by experts in such matters, but such is the case. The cash prizes in Chief Coburn's department of the World's Fair are \$55,300 greater than those offered by the fourtsen largest live stock shows of the United States in 1902.

This interesting comparison was made at the recent meeting of the American Association of Live Stock Herd Book Secretaries in a paper on "Live Stock Exhibits at the World's Fair," read by Hon. Geo. W. Stubblefield. Mr. Stubblefield took for com parison the amounts of money offered in 1902 by the State Fairs of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin, and of the International Exposition at Chicago and the American Royal show at kansas City. The Total live stock offerings of these fourteen great shows, compared with those of the World's Fair at ST. Louis, read as follows:

 State Fairs
 World's Fair
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 Horses
 \$49,488
 \$93.640
 \$44.152

 Cattle
 84.623.50
 64,030
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 Sheep
 23.906.50
 45,500
 21,593 50

 Swine
 24,477.00
 32,186
 7,709 00

 Poultry&Pigeons 13,329.85
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 2,440.15

Totals \$195,824.85 251126 55,301 15
These figures give at a glance a view of the magnitude of the World,s Fair live stock prizes. The differences shown above are in favor of the World's Fair except for cattle, for which the aggregate of the fourteen shows is the larger. The sums allotted to the dog, cat and pet stock shows at the World's Fair are not included in the foregoing.

The special committee of representatives of the American Poultry Association appointed at the Indianapolis meeting to confer with Chief F. D. Coburn of the World's Fair Department of Live Stock met at St. Louis Fair. The committee was appointed to discuss a number of matters of special interest to poultry men in connection with the World's Fair poultry show, particularly the question of care of poultry to be exhibited. The members of the committee are Henry Steinmesch, St. Louis, chairman; Theo.

Hewes, Indianapolis; Frank B. White, Chicago; B. E. Johnson, Kirkwood, Mo.; W. C. Pierce, Indianapolis; J. C. Fishel and U. R. Fishel, Hope, Ind.; R. C. H. Hallock, St. Louis; R. E. Jones, Edinburg, Ind., and George Ewald, Circinnati.

As the magnitude of the World's Fair and its universal character made necessary a general rule on the part of the management against undertaking the care of any exhibits by Exposition authorities the rules sent out by Chief Coburn in relation to the poultry show (and application to pigeons and pet stock as well) contained the following statements:

"Exhibitors or their agents will at all times give the necessary personal attention to the feed and care of the poultry they have on exhibition and on the close of awards in that Division remove their fowls from the Exposition grounds.

"Poultry unaccompanied by its exhibitor or his agent must be consigned to his personal representative or other responsible party who will give it proper care and exhibition, as the Exposition authorities will not receive, care for or assume any responsibility in connection therewith,

"All poultry must be exhibited in standard coops of uniform make. Arrangements will be made by the Exposition management for a supply of these to be obtainable at a reasonable cost on the Exposition grounds, and exhibitors will there procure them directly from the manager or dealer."

These regulations make some necessary arrangements by intending exhibitors of poultry, pigeons and pet stock somewhat different from those in effect at State Fairs or similar shows. The matter was taken up by the American Poultry Association with a view to shaping matters on a uniform system acceptable to the Exposition management and to intending exhibitors who will not be present to take personal care of their fowls.

The committee decided at its meeting in St. Louis that the best interests of all would be served by placing the reception, care, exhibition and return of fowls not accompanied by the owner in the hands of a responsible committee, representative of the American Poultry Association, to whom exhibitors might consign their fowls with the assurance that they would be properly looked after. A committee of three, consisting of Henry Steinmesch of St. Louis as chairman and two others to be named by Mr. Steinmesch, was decided upon and the co-

operation of Chief Coburn was asked in the plan recommended.

After considerable investigation agreement was reached that the fee for feeding and cooping be placed at a maximum of 50 cents for a single specimen and 81 each for breeding pens. The committee recommended that the fee for coops be sent in with a coupon attached to the entry blank, the coupon to be addressed to the chairman of the committee.

Recommendation was also made to Chief Coburn that all varieties hereafter recognized by the American Poultry Association prior to the printing of the final prize-list be incorporated in the World's Fair classification. Recognition was asked for exhibits of dressed poultry and eggs, including market methods, and of a show of appliances relating to the poultry industry and papers and other literature. The recommendation was made that the displays of incubators and brooders be held in connection with the poultry show.

How and What to Feed.

For ten hens, one quart of grain is sufficient for a day's ration. Especially for the smaller breeds.

However, Bramas or Cochins, if they do not have access to green food, will require about one quart to five hens during the laying season.

All fowls relish a cooked breakfast or dinner, potatoes, turnips, carrots, cabbage or anything in the way of scraps from the table. Equal parts of corn and oats ground together, and middlings boiled or steamed, if served while warm, makes a good breakfast for laying hens. Another good food for the morning ration is corn chop, ten pounds; barley chop, ten pounds; middlings five pounds; and bran, five pounds. Mix all together, then scald with just enough boiling water to make a thick mash; add sufficient water and milk, so that it can be readily eaten by the fowls.

For an evening food we usually give whole grain, either wheat or oats. Corn is not good in summer, as it does not contain the required ingredients to produce an abundant supply of eggs, and is productive of too much heat. Never feed corn during the laying season, except that part contained in the soft mash, which is given to the fowls in the morning. Another important factor in egg production is green food. In order to have fowls do best, they must be supplied with yards large enough to furnish an abundant supply of grass.

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looking gladly forward to the day she will bring forth therefrom a fluffy family. If men had the faith of an ordinary mongrel hen they could do miracle. No Christian martyr ever showed more persistence and blind faith than "Old Spec," when the fever of spring gets working in her blood, and the maternal instinct takes a firm hold of her entire being. Does any other creature exhibit such blind faith and trust and hope under dicouraging circumstances? In ancient times mighty things were performed by and belief, but there is not in the whole world, ancient or modern, a more sublime example of this quality than that given by the sitting hen. The hired man-vicious and ugly after a night at dancing-may hurl her from the feed box of one of the horses; the boss may " damn the setting hens, anyway", but she will creep back after a little of blustering and jawing and shaking out her feathers settle down among the corn cobs, hoping, doutless, thereby to hatch out a field of yellow dent. Gods of our fathers, if we had the divine faith of the brindle hen, we would go forth healing the sick and halt and giving the hlind back their sight.—AMERICAN FARMER.

Fattening Growing Birds.

A matured animal or bird fattens more readily than one that is growing, because its requirements are fewer. It is sometimes very difficult to make a growing chick fat, as the food goes to form hone and muscle rather than fat, carbonaceous material serving to heat the body. Such chicks seem to grow rapidly, and realy attain good weights in a short period, but they are not always fat. In order to fatten them properly, the work must be done quickly. They should be cooped up, and given plenty of cornmeal and ground grain moistened with milk with wheat ground corn at night. One week is long enough, as they will begin to lose flesh or become sick if kept confined too long for the growing chick can subsist but a short time on a corbonaceous diet. The necessity for nitrogen, due to the formation of feathers, as well as lack of the elements of hone, will cause chicks to droop. The chick may he made to gain one fourth their weight in ten days; that is, a two pound chick in ten days should weigh two and one half pounds. But in such cases the weight is not so desirable as the fat, as they will gain very rapidly if highly fed, even when running at large, though they do not fatten readily on account of all food going flesh bone. As soon as they mature they fatten very quickly, and with pullets the difficulty will then be to prevent them from becming too fat .- F. F. & F.

If your chicks stand around and sleep in the sun, look out for lice. You may think there are no lice about, but if you will look on their heads and along their necks you will find a lot of big gray fellows who are sucking the life out of the chicks.

COLD OR ROUP.

During the fall months, when fowls are more or less exposed to the cold, and wet and windy weather, every breeder should visit his poultry house after dark, and with a lantein, look his birds over carefully, he can then easily detect the first symtoms of a cold, or the roup. The first bird found sneezing should be removed to a warm. dry place, when first discovered; it may appear trifling, the eyes and nostrils only a little watery, and an occasional sneeze, but if left to run for a few days, a clear case of roup will be developed, and perhaps, not only past cure, but your whole-flock exposed. My past experience has convinced me that "pills" often fail to check or cure it. It is one of the greatest misfortunes that can hefall a fancier, and anything that will check or cure it, is sure to he eagerly sought for.

For the benefit of those who have not already seen it in print, I will give a treatment which has been used very successfully and if properly administered, I believe will cure the roup in any but its very last stages. It is as follows: Saturated solution of chlorate potash, one ounce; carbolic acid, ten drops with a small glass medicine dropper, with a rubber bulb on end, inject the solution into each nostril, which will cleanse the head, nostrils and eyes, at the same time give internally, one teaspoonful of saturated solution of hyposulphite of soda. This can be done at night, and in severe cases should be repeated during the day.

It is a good plan, as a preventive, to use two or three times a week a little of the solution of hyposulphite of soda in the drinking water. Douglass mixture and lime water should also be used in drinking water, and although I do not advocate the free use of egg foods, etc., I find from experience, that in addition to using the above as a preventive, that the use of some kind of stimulant in the soft feed, for growing chicks, during the cold weather is advisable, and for lhat purpose I use a little "eggine" in the soft feed once or twice a week with good results.

WHY THE FAILURES.

Although we seldom read of failures there are frilures in poultry business, as in all other occupations, and probably in about the same proportion

We don't read in the papers of the failurts as of the successes. Nor do we want to read of the failures; it is of the successes that we must read to be successful ourselves. It is the experience of the successful market poulterer and the successful fancier that point out to us the road to our own success; not the experience of the man who has made a dizmal failure. Not that the failures are valueless in the education of the poultryinclined public, for one man's failure may pave the 'way to another's success. One may be able to see wherein the other is wrong and be able to profit by it. Every failure has its cause, and the cause is al to be sent to the butcher. Those which are

ways traceable to some body's ignorance, or to somebody's negelect.

The cause of a large per cent of failures is the idea, especially prevalent among people who know nothing at all about poultry, that "anybody can take care of hens"; no matter whether a person can succeed in any other business or not, that person coule "take care of hens". Why, there's nothing to be done but to put them in a house of some some sort, feed them a little of most anyth ng occasionally, clean out their quart ers now and then, if it is'nt too much work, and go every night and gather the eggs. Don't work much yourself, you know, hut let the hens work.

People of this sort read or hear the profits realized by poultry men of experience, and and not doubting for a moment that they could do, at once, what it has taken these men years to learn how to do, put their dollars into a poultry ranch, stock it with hens of greater or less value, and expect to pile up money at the very start. For if the experienced man makes a thousand dollars a year with his four hundred hens, why would it not be easy to double the profit by doubling the number of hens? And why would'ut it be possible by increasing the number kept to realize two or three independnt fortunes every year? But after a few months they find that the poultry business is a "sham," the writers a "set of falsifiers" and the poultry press a "fraud of the first water."

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It is the man who learns to breed his birds, whether for the market or for the fancy, scientifically; and who studies to find the combinations of foods which will pro duce the best results under the condition to which his birds may be subject, who is found in the front rank, not the unthinking, negligent poultryman.

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By the way, there syems to be a great boom on in bantams in the east where they have always been more popular than in the west. Canada and the east are ahead of us in number and quality of bantams, although some western breeeders have them as good as can be found anywhere. Bantams are very far behind the larger varieties in importance and we shouldn't like to see them bred too extensively, but we should like to see more people take them up in the west. They have useful qualities and, rightly handled, they are prohtable.

Gather the eggs at regular intervals.

Now is the time to gather up the leaves for the winter, and after the floors have been cleaned scatter them about for litter.

Show Dates, 1903-4.

This list of shows is, as far as we know complete. If some are ommitted we will he glad to have the secretaries inform us. All dates will be kept standing until the

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Nov. 23-28-Sheboygan, Wis. Judge, Hewes. A. H. McIntyre, sec.

Nov. 24-27- Lexington, N. C. Judges, Simmons, Harrel F. T. Grimes, sec.

Nov. 24-28-Erie, Pa. Judge, J. Y. Bickrell, A. E. Blethen, sec.

Nov. 24-26-Brockton, Mass. C. A. Brown, sec.

Nov. 24-28-Danbury, Conn. Judge, Diev enstedt. Chas. H. Brundage, sec;

Nov. 23-28-Richmond, Va. Judge, Brown Frank Jenkins, sec. 517 W. Broad Street.

Nov. 25-28-Saratoga, Pa. Judges, Staunton. Yelton, Brackett and Hoffman. S. J. Kurtz, sec.

Nov. 25-28-Prairie Depot, O. Judge. Mc-Clave. R. F. Bassey, sec.

Nov. 27-28-Blum. Tex. Oscar Pogue, sec. Nov. 30-Dec. 5-St. Louis, Mo. Judges, Russel and Butterfield, Ross C. H. Hallock secretary.

Dec. 1-5-Oakland, Calif. J. C. Williams, secretary, Fruitville, Calif.

Dec. 1-2-Greenfield, Mass. E. M. Carey, secretary.

Dec. 1-5-Napoleon, O. Judges, McClave, Tucker, Carve. Horn. E Judson Davis, secretary.

Dec. 1-5-Newark, N. J. Judges, Drevenstedt, Delano, Binfoey, Stanton Huyler, R. J. Bailey, secretary, East Orange, N. J.

Dec. 1-4-Dallas, Texas. L. A. Wright. secretary.

Dec. 1-4-Rising Sun, O. Judge, Tucker. E. M. Yambert, secretary.

Dec. 1-5-Ottawa, Ill. Judge, Herbster and Moore. C. O. Diest secretary.

Dec. 1-4-South Farmingham, Mass. Judges, Fox, Lambert, Ballow, Smith, Bum-ford, Graves, Gorse, Ingram. F. W. Jennings, secretary.

Dec. 2-4-Taylerville, Ill. Judge, Rapp. Chas. L. Evans, sec. Palmer.

Dec. 2-5-Matteawan, N. Y. Judge, Rockenstyre. H. W. Millspaugh, secretary, Walden, N. Y.

Dec. 2-5-Providence, R. I. W. S. Brown, secretary, 6 Exchange Place.

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Dec. 6-12-Lawrence, Mass. F. E. Higg-ins, sec. N. Andover Depot, Mass.

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Dec. 7-12-Big Rapids, Mich. Judge, Hewes. B. W. Fellows, secretary.

Dec. 7-12-Aberdeen, Miss. J. R. Young, secretary.

Dec. 7-11-Deathorn. Mich. Judge, Tucker. T. J. Owen secretary.

Dec. 7-17—Wilkesbarre, Pa. W. L. Higgs, secretary.

Dec 8-12-Los Angeles, Calif. H. W. Kruckeberg, sec.

Dec. 8-11 Hartford, Conn. Judges, Mc. Grew, Stanton, Crangle, Bonfoey, Crowther Galylor. Chas. L, Balch. sec.

Dec. 8-10-Milford, Mass. Judges, Lambert, Atherton, Watson. W. H. Pyne,

Dec. 8-10-Northampton, Mass. Judges, Crangle, Stevens. C. E. Hodgkins sec.

Dec. 8-11-Aurora, Ill. Judge, Rapp. J. F. Rolfe, sec.

Dec. 8-12-Yorkville Ill. Judge, Tucker A. S. Tarbox, sec.

Dec. 9-14-Hamilton, O. C. W. Larsh,

Dec. 9-12. Shreveport, La. Louis Brueggerhoff, sec.

Dec. 10-12-Plymouth, Mass. Judges, Atherton. Smith. Ballou, E. R. Beaman, sec.

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Dec. 10-13-Litchfield, Ill. W. S. Chamberlain, sec.

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Dec. 14-19-Maquota, Ia. Judge, Warnock. F, T. Johnson, sec.

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Dec. 15-17-Bristol, Vt. G. S. Farr, sec.

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Dec. 16-18-Freeport Me. Judges, Hawkins and Shove. Geo. P. Coffin, sec.

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Fall Work In The Poultry Yard.

A neighbor, whose experience in poultry raising gives weight to her advice, recently informed me that her war against parasites was pushed into the late winter months. She says that if lice are vigorously fought at this time of the year, they may be entirely exterminated. Clean out the h uses and yards, saving the manure for compost. Mix with about the same bulk of barnyard manure an i wood ashes, and cover closely with hay or straw. Leave until spring and you will have a rich compost for strawberry or garden patch. There is usually a rush of young ponltry to the markets in October and November. This does not necessarily imply that the prices are advanced or the demand better at this time of year, but rether that there is a general effort to dispose stock on hand before the coming of winter. Very often it is good policy to back shipping stock until the rush is over, Do not neglect to store the surplus vegetables for the hens: Green food a great egg producer. Do the poultry houses and fences need repairs? Fall is the best time to attend to these matters, since winter is likely to steal upon us almost before we are aware of the fact, and, if we wait until cold weather comes, the task of repairing is not an agreeable one. -Mrs. C. B. Barrett, in Epitomist.

Fattening Young Chicks.

It is difficult to fatten a young chick because the food goes to growth of body and warmth, rather than fat. Chicks cannot be forced before they are about eight weeks old. Experts who fatten them always select the healthy and vigorous ones, They are fed four times a day on the following mixture: Cornmeal, two pounds; sifted ground oats, two pounds; bran, one pound; middlings, one half pound linseed meal, four ounces; ground bone, four cunces, and common salt, one tablespoonful. Scald the mixture with boiling water and add one pound of crude tallow, stirring well, makingthe mixture stiff (not wet), and feed in clean troughs, giving as much as the chicks will eat, removing the portions left over,

The best way to give milk to young chickens is to get it boiling hot, and then scald the ground food with it. Never give young ducks milk to drink. They will get it in their feathers, and then in their endeavor to get it out they will pull out the feathers.

Instead of having a large flock common hens get crosses or pure breeds, but it this is not easily done then buy acouple of purecockerls. The change in the character of the offspring, uniformity of appearance, greater weight increased production of eggs will more than ten times over pay for the cockerels. It requires but one reason to obliterate the common stock by crossing with the pure-bred males,

If there are any extra roosters or old hens now is a good time to commence fattening them. Pen them up by themselves,

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Chihuahua, Mex., Oct, 18.—(Special)— Private dispatches received here today from Parral, in this state, deny the report of the sudden death at that place of Pedro Alvarado, the multimillionaire mining man, who is well known throughout Mexico and the United States. He has a fortune in cash amounting to about \$70,000,000 according to reliable estimates.

The value of the Pamillo mine, which he owns and which he discovered a few years ago when he was a peon working in a mine at 30 cents per day, is not known, as Alvarado persistentently refused to admit all mining experts to its workings. It is however, one of the richest mines in the world.

More than \$60,000.000 worth of silver bars are securely locked in a steel cage in his residence. This cage is constantly guarded day and night by a strong force of armed men.

The one time peon made all his money in a few years and his chief object has been to spend it. He proposed to pay the national debt of Mexico just to show that he could do

Alvarado palace, which has grown up as by magic at Parrall, cost him \$500,000, and its maintainence with the army to guard it cost a large sum in addition.

Alvarado's income ranges along about \$200,000 a month, and he is eager to spend it as fast as he can.

Whenever he finds a former peon acquaint ance in distress Alvarado gives him a pocketful of money and ruins him as a workman forever after.

A favorite luxury is building and endowing churches, and it is safe to say that there is not a church in the state that has not some valuable gift from the bluff old miner,

No one can make a success with any kind of poultry, if the house is not kept clean and in good condition.

Turn the edible scraps, vegetables and other odds and ends into eggs; but do not over-feed your fowls.

Eggs from hens that are allowed to pick up their own living from the fields and manure piles, are not as good as those from hens having a regular ration of sound and wholesome grain.

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Jan 27-30-Plymouth, Ind Judge, Carver Cary Cummings, secretary

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Adventurers Spanish

in the days of Cortez risked their lives in the search for GOLD in OLD MEXICO, and the hardy Prospector today is suffering untold hardships, searching perhaps for years, for one of those rich bodies of ore which he knows are scattered all through the rugged portions of that romantic country. One day his pick turns up a lump of ore sparkling with gold. "Eureka! Success!" he cries-a

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